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**AGREEMENT FOR A  
BASIC LIFE SUPPORT (BLS) UNIT  
AT THE WEST VALLEY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT**

This agreement is made by and between Bertrand Chaffee Hospital (BCH), the West Valley Volunteer Hose Company (WVVHC), and West Valley Nuclear Services Company, Inc. (WVNS).

**A. PURPOSE**

1. This agreement establishes operational controls and protocols for the operation of a Basic Life Support (BLS) Emergency Medical Response Team (EMRT) at the West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP) site.

**B. NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (NYSDOH) OPERATIONAL PROTOCOLS**

1. The prehospital medical care protocols were prepared by the staff of the Emergency Medical Services Program of NYSDOH and the Medical Standards Committee of the NYS Emergency Medical Services Council.
2. The protocols reflect the current minimally acceptable statewide treatment standards for adult and pediatric BLS.
3. The protocols are not intended to be the absolute and ultimate treatment doctrines, but rather standards which are sufficiently flexible to accommodate the complexity of the problems in patient management presented to Certified First Responders (CFRs) and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs).
4. The protocols should be considered as a model or standard by which all patients should be treated. However, the protocols are not a substitute for good clinical judgement, especially when a situation occurs which does not fit the standards.

**C. WVNS OPERATIONAL PROTOCOLS**

1. The WVNS-EMRT exists for the sole purpose of providing interim emergency medical response to any individuals at the WVDP site.

The goal of prehospital emergency medical care is having the patient reach definitive care as rapidly and safely as the situation indicates with no deterioration of the patient's condition and hopefully in an improved condition.

2. Participation in the WVNS-EMRT as responding members is limited to Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Certified First Responders (CFRs) identified by WVNS, and the Employee Health Services (EHS) Professional Medical Staff.

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3. EMRT members possessing current training and certification as EMTs or CFRs are permitted to function in this capacity in accordance with current NYSDOH BLS Adult and Pediatric Treatment Protocols, as discussed in Section B.
4. The hierarchy of the WVNS-EMRT response is established as follows:
  - a. The most senior WVNS field responders are those possessing EMT certification or licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN). If the Site Occupational Medical Director (SOMD) responds in the field and initiates patient care, he/she must continue throughout the transport to an off-site medical facility.
  - b. In the event an RN, authorized by the SOMD, or the SOMD is providing Advanced Life Support (ALS), she/he will become the most senior WVNS responder. If ALS is being provided, EMTs are subordinate to the RNs or SOMD and respond under the direction of the RN/SOMD.
  - c. CFRs are subordinate to EMTs or RNs and respond under the direction of EMTs/RNs if available.
5. The delivery of ALS service is beyond the scope of this Letter of Agreement and will only be provided pursuant to Standing Orders, prepared by Employee Health Services (EHS) personnel under the guidance of the Site Occupational Medical Director (SOMD).

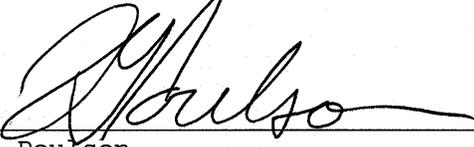
BLS units should deliver patients who would benefit from ALS to this higher level of care as soon as possible either by link-up with a mobile ALS unit or by transport to an appropriate hospital.

**D. ADMINISTRATIVE AGREEMENTS**

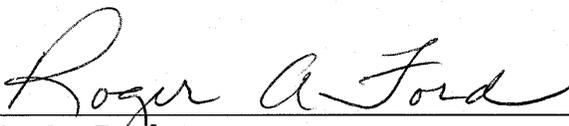
1. The WVVHC agrees to permit the most senior WVNS-EMRT member providing care to accompany any patient to the hospital.
2. WVVHC agrees that the WVNS-EMRT member, if of a higher level of training than WVVHC responders, will remain in charge of patient treatment until the patient is released to BCH personnel, consistent with the hierarchy established in Section C4.
3. If a WVNS-EMRT member continues care and remains in charge of a patient enroute to BCH, WVVHC personnel will provide first aid support, if requested.

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This agreement shall be effective on the last date signed below and remain in effect until cancelled. This Agreement shall be cancelled by any party giving each of the other parties at least 30 days written notice of their intent to cancel this Agreement.

  
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West Valley Nuclear Services Company, Inc.

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R. A. Ford  
Bertrand Chaffee Hospital  
Administrator

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West Valley Volunteer Hose Company  
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